

CLAIMS:

1. A training device for baseball players to teach the proper position of the bat during the swing and assisting in overcoming swing defects, comprising, in combination:

5 a stand, said stand having a base and an upstanding post;
 a cross bar supported on said upstanding post, said crossbar having a horizontal orientation;

 a series of strategically positioned standards mounted on said cross bar, said standards circumscribing an arc, which arc defines the proper
10 position of the bat during various parts of the swing from a start position through contact with a ball as it passes over the plate.

2. The training device of Claim1, wherein said series of standards comprises three standards defining said arc.

3. The training device of Claim 1, wherein one said standard of said series of standards is at the rear of the batter, a second standard being
5 located at a point midway in the batter's swing, and yet another of said standards being located at the outermost extension of a proper swing.

4. The training device of Claim 1, wherein each said standard is made of a soft pliable material.

5. The training device of Claim 1, wherein each said standard is covered with a soft pliable material over a portion of its length.

5 6. The training device of Claim 1, wherein said training device includes a tee, said tee supporting a ball at the proper height and located in the plane of the batter.

7. The training device of Claim 1, wherein the position of the tee is selectable to permit simulation of a ball as it would appear for both inside and outside pitches.

8. The training device of Claim 1, wherein the height of said series of standards is adjustable to accommodate the height of the batter.

9. The training device of Claim 2, wherein said one of said standards and said second standard are selectively adjustable to accommodate the arm length of the batter.

10. The training device of Claim 1, wherein said standards are
movable to accommodate both left and right handed batters.

11. The training device of Claim 1, wherein the position of the
tee relative to the batter is movable forwardly or rearwardly to
5 accommodate the size of the batter.

12. The training device of Claim 2, wherein a forth standard is provided as a means of establishing a horizontal plane immediately prior to contact with the ball.